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FOLLOWING TELEGRAM WAS SENT TO PARIS

APRIL 11 FOR UNDERSECRETARY ROBINSON. TEHRAN WAS

INADVERTENTLY OMITTED AS ACTION ADDRESSEE.

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN,IR

SUBJECT: IRANIAN LEND LEASE DEBT

REFERENCES: STATE 77280; TEHRAN 3196

ATTENTION PARIS: FOR UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

1. WE APPRECIATE THOUGHT EMBASSY HAS GIVEN TO LEND LEASE AND
SURPLUS PROPERTY DEBT ISSUE BUT PREFER FOLLOW FORMULATION
LAID OUT IN L(A) THROUGH (D) OF STATE 77280.

2. AMPLIFYING REFERENCE TO "SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS ON BOTH
SETS OF CLAIMS" NOTED IN (D) OF STATE 77280: WE EXPECT
THAT IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIM WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DOCU-
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MENTATION AND LEGAL ANALYSIS FROM GOI. INITIAL "DIS-

CUSSIONS" ON COUNTERCLAIM LIKELY TO CONSIST OF USG REQUEST
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION FROM GOI. WE DO NOT, AS A RESULT,
ENVISION THAT IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIM WILL BE SUFFICIENTLY
ADVANCED TO WARRANT U.S. NEGOTIATING TEAM VISIT
ON

COUNTERCLAIM TO TEHRAN IN MAZ (AS SUGGESTED IN EMBASSY
REFTEL). ON THE OTHER HAND, WE FEEL STRONGLY THAT SETTLE-
MENT OF U.S. CLAIM SHOULD NOT BE DELAYED PENDING PREPARA-
TION OF IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIM. WE HOPE HOWEVER TO HAVE OUR
INITIAL VIEWS ON IRANIAN COUNTERCLAIM AVAILABLE SOON FOR
TRANSMITTAL TO GOI.

3. FYI: MUCH OF THE FACTUAL INFORMATION PRESENTED IN
THE GOI NOTE 2121/4 OF DECEMBER 12, 1974, WAS DRAWN FROM THE
BOOK THE PERSIAN CORRIDOR AND AID TO RUSSIA BY T.H.
VAIL MOTTER, PAGES 341-345 (1952). KISSINGER UNQUOTE

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